

At page 5, lines 8-20, delete the paragraph and replace with the following:

--with the proviso that when **B** is a carboxyl derivative, an amide derivative or a thioamide derivative, **R₄** is not a cycloalkoxy; and

Y is H or C₁₋₆ alkyl;

R³ is C₁₋₈ alkyl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, or C₄₋₁₀ alkylcycloalkyl, all optionally substituted with hydroxy, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ thioalkyl, amido, (lower alkyl)amido, C₆ or C₁₀ aryl, or C₇₋₁₆ aralkyl;

R₂ is CH₂-**R₂₀**, NH-**R₂₀**, O-**R₂₀** or S-**R₂₀**, wherein **R₂₀** is a saturated or unsaturated C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl or C₄₋₁₀ (alkylcycloalkyl), all of which being optionally mono-, di- or tri-substituted with **R₂₁**,

or **R₂₀** is a C₆ or C₁₀ aryl or C₇₋₁₄ aralkyl, all optionally mono-, di- or tri-substituted with **R₂₁**,

or **R₂₀** is Het or (lower alkyl)-Het, both optionally mono-, di- or tri-substituted with **R₂₁**, --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown below:

CLEAN SET OF CLAIMS INCORPORATING AMENDMENTS

1. (three times amended) The racemates, diastereoisomers or optical isomers of a compound of formula (I):

